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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2653

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kouichirou WAKABAYASHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2653

Application No.: 09/671,478

Examiner: A. Psitos

Filed: September 27, 2000

Docket No.: 107454

For: INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM WITH MAGNETIC MARKS, RECORDING
AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS THEREFOR, AND HEAD POSITIONING
METHOD USING DETECTED MAGNETIC LEAKAGE FIELDS FROM THE
MAGNETIC MARKS (As Amended)

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Technology Center 2600

Sir:

In reply to the August 18, 2003 Office Action, and as a supplement to the Amendment
filed December 17, 2003, and further as confirmation of the personal interview conducted
January 14, 2004, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached
Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following remarks.